

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims:

1-39. (Canceled)

40. (Currently Amended) A method of treating a hyperproliferative disease of the skin selected from the group consisting of psoriasis, acne vulgaris, actinic keratosis, ketatoses, solar keratosis, squamous carcinoma in situ, cancers and pre-malignant conditions, ichthyoses, hyperkeratosis and disorders of keratinization; consisting of administering to a patient in need of treatment for a hyperproliferative disease of the skin a pharmaceutical composition consisting of carbenoxolone and one or more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients, wherein the hyperproliferative disease of the skin is selected from the group consisting of psoriasis, acne vulgaris, actinic keratosis, solar keratosis, squamous carcinoma in situ, skin cancers and pre-malignant conditions of the skin, ichthyoses, hyperkeratosis and disorders of keratinization.

41. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40, wherein said hyperproliferative disease of the skin is selected from the group consisting of psoriasis, acne vulgaris, and hyperkeratosis.

42. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40, wherein said hyperproliferative disease of the skin is psoriasis.

43. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40, wherein the disorder of keratinization is Darier's disease.

44. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 40, wherein the pharmaceutical composition is administered topically to an affected area of the skin of the patient in need of treatment for a hyperproliferative disease of the skin.

45. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 44, wherein the hyperproliferative disease of the skin is selected from the group consisting of psoriasis, acne vulgaris, and hyperkeratosis.

46. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 44, wherein the hyperproliferative disease of the skin is psoriasis.

47. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 44, wherein the disorder of keratinization is Darier's disease.

48-51. (Canceled)